

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE:

Authorize Grant Application for an Electric Bus and Twenty-Bay

Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Fueling Station

MEETING DATE:

April 10, 1996

PREPARED BY:

Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Authorize the City Manager to submit grant applications to the

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District for the purchase of an

electric bus (\$65,000) and a CNG fueling station (\$40,000).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District has available a grant program called Reduced Motor Vehicle Emissions (REMOVE). The City's grant writer, John Griffin, is preparing a

(REMOVE). The City's grant writer, John Griffin, is preparing a grant application to utilize available funds for the purchase of an

electric bus and a CNG fueling station.

In the past, the City Council has expressed an interest in utilizing alternative fuels wherever possible. The next group of transit vehicles we purchase will undoubtedly use CNG. We presently have a Police vehicle using CNG and the possibilities for use in other departments is certainly viable.

Now is also an ideal time to experiment with the use of electric vehicles. Transit would be a good place to test an electric bus.

The deadline for submitting this grant application is April 15, 1996.

FUNDING: No funding required at this time.

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